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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please replace claim 6 with the following:

6. An expedited method of assembling a software system, comprising the following steps:

a) fabricating a collection of software systems, each of which contains

i) a processing module (PROC_MOD) which processes content of messages;

ii) a packaging module (PAK_MOD) which packages messages into packets for transport out of the system;

iii) a communication module (COM_MOD) which accepts and delivers message packets; and

iv) a system control module (CONTROL) which coordinates the processes of (i),

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